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SPYING ACTIVITIES NOT HARMED BY SHULTZ REMARKS: FORMER CIA OFF

Secretary of State George Shultz did not damage American spying activities by describing in detail the Soviet attack on a Korean jumbo jet, a former deputy director of the CIA said.

"I do not think Secretary of State Shultz went too far," Vernon A. Walters, now U.S. ambassador-at-large, told a news conference Saturday. "I think the Soviets know we do this just as they do this to us."

He made his remarks at a news conference on the bicentennial of the Treaty of Paris, which officially ended the American Revolutionary War.

Walters, CIA deputy director from 1972 to 1976, declined to say whether surveillance of the Korean flight was unusually close. "Uncertainty in that area is a good thing," he said.

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